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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended)

A compound represented by Formula I:

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} (R^{5})_{0-3} & R^{3} & R^{1} & R^{2} & R^{1} \\ N - C - C & C - C & C - C \\ R^{1} & R^{1} & R^{1} & R^{1} \end{bmatrix}_{m}^{A}$$

$$I$$

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

m is 0 or 1;

p is 1, 2 or 3;

G is selected from the group consisting of  $-C(R^4)_2$ -, -O-, -S(O)k-, wherein k is 0, 1 or 2, and  $-N(R^4)$ -,

A is selected from the group consisting of: -CO<sub>2</sub>H, -PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, -PO<sub>2</sub>H, -SO<sub>3</sub>H, -PO(C<sub>1</sub>-3alkyl)OH and 1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl;

each R<sup>1</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-5alkoxy, each C<sub>1</sub>-6alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-5alkoxy optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from halo and hydroxy;

R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-5</sub>alkoxy, said C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-5</sub>alkoxy optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from halo and hydroxy;

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R<sup>3</sup>-is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen and C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, optionally substituted with from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from the group consisting of: halo and hydroxy;

or  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  may be <u>are</u> joined together to form a 4[[,]] or 5 or 6-membered monocyclic ring defined as follows:

<del>Of</del>

each  $R^4$  is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen and  $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkyl, said  $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkyl optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with halo,

each  $R^5$  is independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkyl and  $C_{1\text{-}3}$ alkoxy, said  $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkyl and  $C_{1\text{-}3}$ alkoxy optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with halo,

**Z** is selected from the group consisting of:

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(1) C<sub>1-8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-8</sub>alkoxy, -(C=O)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or -CHOH-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, said C<sub>1-8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-8</sub>alkoxy, -(C=O)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl and -CHOH-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl optionally substituted with phenyl and C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, and

- (2) phenyl or HET<sup>1</sup>, each optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) halo,
  - (b) phenyl, optionally substituted with 1 to 5 groups independently selected from the group consisting of: halo and C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, said C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups, and
  - (c) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy, said C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from halo and hydroxy,

or **Z** is not present;

when **Z** is phenyl or HET<sup>1</sup>, optionally substituted as defined above, then **X** is selected from the group consisting of:  $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-,  $-C_{1-5}$ alkyl-,  $-C_{1-5}$ alkyl-,  $-C_{1-5}$ alkyl-,  $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl

O, phenyl and HET2, said phenyl and HET2 each optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, C<sub>1</sub>-

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4alkyl and  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy, and wherein when  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-,  $-O-C_{1-5}$ alkyl-,  $-(C=O)-C_{1-5}$ alkyl-,  $-(C=O)-N(R^6)(R^7)-C_{1-4}$ alkyl-, or

$$\xi$$
— $C_{1-3}$ alkyl $O$ , the point of attachment of the group  $Z$  is on the alkyl,

and

when **Z** is C<sub>1-8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-8</sub>alkoxy, -(C=O)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or -CHOH-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, optionally substituted as defined above, then **X** is phenyl, said phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy;

R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-9alkyl and - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-phenyl, wherein p is 1 to 5 and phenyl is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: C<sub>1</sub>-3alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-3alkoxy, each optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups; and

HET¹ and HET² are each independently selected from the group consisting of: benzimidazolyl, benzofuranyl, benzopyrazolyl, benzotriazolyl, benzothiophenyl, benzoxazolyl, carbazolyl, carbolinyl, cinnolinyl, furanyl, imidazolyl, indolinyl, indolyl, indolazinyl, indazolyl, isobenzofuranyl, isoindolyl, isoquinolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, naphthyridinyl, oxadiazolyl, oxazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyridopyridinyl, pyridazinyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, pyrrolyl, quinazolinyl, quinolyl, quinoxalinyl, thiadiazolyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, triazolyl, azetidinyl, 1,4-dioxanyl, hexahydroazepinyl, piperazinyl, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, thiomorpholinyl, dihydrobenzimidazolyl, dihydrobenzofuranyl, dihydrobenzothiophenyl, dihydrobenzoxazolyl, dihydrofuranyl, dihydroimidazolyl, dihydroindolyl, dihydroisooxazolyl, dihydroisothiazolyl, dihydrooxadiazolyl, dihydrooxazolyl, dihydropyridinyl, dihydropyrimidinyl, dihydropyrrolyl, dihydroquinolinyl, dihydrotetrazolyl, dihydrothiadiazolyl, dihydrothiazolyl, dihydrothienyl, dihydrotriazolyl, dihydroazetidinyl, methylenedioxybenzoyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, and tetrahydrothienyl.

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2. (canceled)

3. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein:

**Z** is phenyl or HET<sup>1</sup>, each optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) halo,
- (b) phenyl, optionally substituted with 1 to 5 groups independently selected from the group consisting of: halo and C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, said C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups, and
- (c) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy, said C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from halo and hydroxy,

or Z is not present;

when **Z** is not present then **X** is selected from the group consisting of:  $C_{7-12}$ alkyl,  $C_{7-12}$ alkenyl,  $C_{7-12}$ alkynyl,  $C_{6-11}$ alkoxy,  $-O-C_{6-11}$ alkenyl,  $-O-C_{6-11}$ alkynyl,  $-(C=O)-C_{6-11}$ alkynyl,  $-(C=O)-C_{5-10}$ alkyl,  $-(C=O)-O-C_{5-10}$ alkynyl;

and

when  $\mathbf{Z}$  is phenyl or HET<sup>1</sup>, optionally substituted as defined above, then  $\mathbf{X}$  is selected from the group consisting of -C<sub>1</sub>-5alkyl-, -C<sub>1</sub>-4alkoxy-, -(C=O)-C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl-, -(C=O)-O-C<sub>1</sub>-3alkyl-, phenyl and HET<sup>2</sup>, and wherein when  $\mathbf{X}$  is -C<sub>1</sub>-4alkoxy-,

-(C=O)-C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl- or -(C=O)-O-C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl-, the point of attachment of the group  $\bf Z$  is on the alkyl.

4. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein HET<sup>1</sup> and HET<sup>2</sup> are indepedently selected from the group consisting of:

wherein R8 is selected from hydrogen, hydroxy and halo.

5 to 6. (canceled)

7. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein  $\mathbf{X}$  is selected from the group consisting of: C<sub>7-12</sub>alkyl, C<sub>7-12</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>7-12</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>6-11</sub>alkoxy, -O-C<sub>6-11</sub>alkenyl, -(C=O)-C<sub>6-11</sub>alkynyl, -(C=O)-C<sub>6-11</sub>alkynyl, -(C=O)-C<sub>6-11</sub>alkynyl, -(C=O)-O-C<sub>5-10</sub>alkyl, -(C=O)-O-C<sub>5-10</sub>alkynyl and  $\mathbf{Z}$  is not present.

8. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein:

**X** is methoxy and **Z** is HET<sup>1</sup> substituted with phenyl and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, said  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups, and said phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 substituents independently selected from the group conisting of: halo and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups.

- 9. (canceled)
- 10. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein:

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**X** is HET<sup>2</sup>, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy, and

**Z** is phenyl or HET<sup>1</sup>, each optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) halo,
- (b) phenyl, optionally substituted with 1 to 5 groups independently selected from the group consisting of: halo and C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl, said C<sub>1</sub>-4alkyl optionally substituted with 1-3 halo groups, and
- (c) C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy, said C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy optionally substituted from one up to the maximum number of substitutable positions with a substituent independently selected from halo and hydroxy.

11 to 12. (canceled)

13. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein:

Z is C<sub>1-8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-8</sub>alkoxy, -(C=O)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or -CHOH-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, said C<sub>1-8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-8</sub>alkoxy, -(C=O)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl and -CHOH-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl optionally substituted with phenyl and C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, and

X is phenyl, said phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl and  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy.

- 14. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein G is -CH2-.
- 15. (canceled)
- 16. (canceled)
- 17. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are joined together to form a 4-membered monocyclic ring defined as follows:

$$\begin{cases} R^1 & R^1 \\ R^1 & R^1 \end{cases}$$

18. (original) The compound according to Claim 1 wherein  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are joined together to form a 5-membered monocyclic ring defined as follows:

$$R^{1} \xrightarrow{R^{1}} C \xrightarrow{R^{1}} R^{1}$$

$$X \xrightarrow{R^{1}} C \xrightarrow{R^{1}} R^{1}$$

$$X \xrightarrow{R^{1}} R^{1}$$

19. (canceled)

20. (original) A compound according to Claim 1 of Formula II:

$$Z^{-X}$$
  $(R^5)_{0-3}$   $O$   $O$   $R^4$   $R^4$ 

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein n is 0 or 1.

21. (original) The compound according to Claim 20 wherein n is 0 and  $-\mathbf{X}-\mathbf{Z}$  is selected from the following group:

## 22. (original) The compound according to Claim 20 of Formula III

$$R^{10}-Y$$
 $(R^9)_{0-2}$ 
 $(R^5)_{0-3}$ 
 $(R^5)_{0-3}$ 
 $(R^4)_{0-1}$ 
 $(R^4)_{0-1}$ 
 $(R^5)_{0-1}$ 
 $(R^5)_{0-1}$ 
 $(R^5)_{0-1}$ 

III

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

n is 0 or 1,

Y is oxygen or a bond,

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R<sup>10</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl,

each  $R^9$  is independently halo,  $C_{1\text{-4}}$ alkyl or  $C_{1\text{-4}}$ alkoxy.

23. (previously presented) The compound according to Claim 22 wherein n is 0, each R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen and R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> are both not present.

24. (currently amended) A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof selected from the following table:

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25. (original) A compound selected from the following:

- (1) (RS)-1-(5-(4-(2-Methylpropyl)phenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)azetidine-3-carboxylic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,
- (2) (R)-1-(5-(5-(4-(2-Methylpropyl)phenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)azetidine-3-carboxylic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and
- (3) (S)-1-(5-(4-(2-Methylpropyl)phenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)azetidine-3-carboxylic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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26 to 39. (canceled)

40. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprised of a compound in accordance with Claim 1 in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

41 to 42. (canceled)